

5.3 Fundamental Theorem of Calculus

Thm 5.3.1 (Part I of the FTC)

Let $F: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be continuous and suppose F is differentiable on (a, b) . Let $f \in \mathcal{R}[a, b]$ with $f(x) = F'(x)$ for $x \in (a, b)$.

Then $\int_a^b f = F(b) - F(a)$.

pf Let P be an arbitrary partition of $[a, b]$. Apply the MVT to F over each $[x_{k-1}, x_k]$ to get

$c_k \in [x_{k-1}, x_k]$ with $F'(c_k)(x_k - x_{k-1}) = F(x_k) - F(x_{k-1})$.

Then m_k and M_k (recall $m_k = \inf \{f(x) : x \in [x_{k-1}, x_k]\}$ and $M_k = \sup \{f(x) : x \in [x_{k-1}, x_k]\}$) satisfy $m_k \leq f(c_k) \leq M_k$. Therefore, $m_k \Delta x_k \leq f(c_k) \Delta x_k \leq M_k \Delta x_k$. By summing, $L(P, f) \leq \sum_{k=1}^n f(c_k) \Delta x_k \leq U(P, f)$. Since $f(x) = F'(x)$, then the middle expression equals $\sum_{k=1}^n F'(c_k) \Delta x_k = \sum_{k=1}^n F(x_k) - F(x_{k-1}) \stackrel{\text{telescoping}}{=} F(b) - F(a)$.

Therefore $F(b) - F(a) \leq U(P, f)$ for arbitrary P so we have

$$F(b) - F(a) \leq \int_a^b f. \text{ Similarly, } L(P, f) \leq F(b) - F(a) \text{ for arbitrary } P \text{ shows } \int_a^b f \leq F(b) - F(a).$$

Since $\int_a^b f = \int_a^b f$, then $\int_a^b f = F(b) - F(a)$ as desired. \square

Thm 5.3.2 (Part II of FTC)

If $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is Riemann integrable, then $F(x) = \int_a^x f$ is continuous.

If f is continuous at $c \in [a, b]$, then F is differentiable at c and $F'(c) = f(c)$.

pf Since f is bounded, $|f(x)| \leq M$ for some M and for all $x \in [a, b]$.

Suppose $x, y \in [a, b]$ and WLOG assume $x < y$.

Then $|F(y) - F(x)| = |\int_a^y f - \int_a^x f| = |\int_a^x f + \int_x^y f| = |\int_x^y f| \leq M|y - x|$. Since F is Lipschitz continuous on $[a, b]$, F is continuous over $[a, b]$.

Assume f is cont. at c and let $\varepsilon > 0$. Then $\exists \delta > 0$ so that $|f(x) - f(c)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$ whenever $x \in [a, b]$ and $|x - c| < \delta$.

Then $f(c) - \frac{\varepsilon}{2} < f(x) < f(c) + \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$ for $x \in [a, b]$ and $|x - c| < \delta$.

If $x > c$, then $\int_c^x f(c) - \varepsilon/2 \leq \int_c^x f \leq \int_c^x f(c) + \varepsilon/2$ so $(f(c) - \varepsilon/2)(x - c) \leq \int_c^x f \leq (f(c) + \varepsilon/2)(x - c)$

Thus, $f(c) - \varepsilon/2 \leq \frac{\int_c^x f}{x - c} \leq f(c) + \varepsilon/2$. We obtain a similar inequality when $x < c$.

$\int_x^c f(c) - \varepsilon/2 \leq \int_x^c f \leq \int_x^c f(c) + \varepsilon/2$ so $(f(c) - \varepsilon/2)(c - x) \leq \int_x^c f \leq (f(c) + \varepsilon/2)(c - x)$.

Dividing through by $c - x > 0$ and using $\int_x^c f = -\int_c^x f$, we obtain $f(c) - \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \leq \frac{-\int_c^x f}{c - x} \leq f(c) + \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$.

or $f(c) - \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \leq \frac{\int_c^x f}{x - c} \leq f(c) + \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$.

Observe that the middle numerator equals $\int_c^x f + \int_a^x f = -\int_a^c f + \int_a^x f = -F(c) + F(x)$ so

the middle expression is really $\frac{F(x) - F(c)}{x - c}$. Thus, we have $|\frac{F(x) - F(c)}{x - c} - f(c)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$ for $|x - c| < \delta$.

so $f(c) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{F(x) - F(c)}{x - c} = F'(c)$. \square

Example

To compute $\frac{d}{dx} \int_{x^3}^{x^5} e^{-t^2} dt$ we use the fact that $\frac{d}{dx} \int_a^x e^{-t^2} dt = e^{-x^2}$. $\frac{d}{dx} F(x) = e^{-x^2}$

$$\int_{x^3}^{x^5} e^{-t^2} dt = \int_{x^3}^{x^5} e^{-t^2} dt + \int_0^{x^3} e^{-t^2} dt = -\int_0^{x^3} e^{-t^2} dt + \int_0^{x^5} e^{-t^2} dt = F(x^5) - F(x^3)$$

$$\text{By the chain-rule, } \frac{d}{dx} F(x^5) - F(x^3) = F'(x^5) 5x^4 - F'(x^3) 3x^2 = e^{-(x^5)^2} 5x^4 - e^{-(x^3)^2} 3x^2 = 5x^4 e^{-x^{10}} - 3x^2 e^{-x^6}$$